Instructions for “Chair people” & TIMEKEEPERS

1. (C) Welcome the debaters saying, “We wish to welcome you to Whitehall High School and hope that your stay with us

will be enjoyable.”

1. (C) The question for the debate this morning is: Resolved: “**Public Schools should enact ad enforce Zero Tolerance**

**Policies.**”. (WRITE this on the board)  
 The Affirmative team is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and the Negative is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. (C) “The constructive speeches will be 5 minutes. The Cross Examination will be 2 ½ minutes and the Rebuttal speeches

are 5 minutes. There will be a 5-minute recess to prepare for the rebuttal. We will warn you when you have ½ minute

left by knocking on the desk and stand at the end of the time limit.”  
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1. (C) “We will open the debate with the First Affirmative Speaker.”
2. TIME SPEECH AND WARN SPEAKER WHEN THERE IS ½ MINUTE LEFT BY KNOCKING ON THE DESK

AND STAND WHEN 5 MINUTES HAVE ELAPSED.

1. (C) “The Negative team will now cross examine the speaker.”
2. TIME FOR 2 ½ MINUTES. WARN THEM WHEN THERE IS ½ MINUTE LEFT BY KNOCKING ON THE DESK AND STAND WHEN 2 ½ MINUTES HAVE ELAPSED AND SAY, “**TIME IS UP**”.
3. (C) “We will now have the First Negative Speaker.”
4. TIME SPEECH AND WARN SPEAKER WHEN THERE IS ½ MINUTE LEFT BY KNOCKING ON THE DESK AND STAND WHEN 5 MINUTES HAVE ELAPSED.
5. (C) “The Affirmative team will now cross examine the speaker.”
6. TIME FOR 2 ½ MINUTES. WARN THEM WHEN THERE IS ½ MINUTE LEFT BY KNOCKING ON THE DESK AND STAND WHEN 2 ½ MINUTES HAVE ELAPSED AND SAY, “**TIME IS UP**”.
7. (C) “May we now have the Second Affirmative Speaker.”
8. TIME SPEECH AND WARN SPEAKER WHEN THERE IS ½ MINUTE LEFT BY KNOCKING ON THE DESK

AND STAND WHEN 5 MINUTES HAVE ELAPSED.

1. (C) “The Negative team will now cross examine the speaker.”
2. TIME FOR 2 ½ MINUTES. WARN THEM WHEN THERE IS ½ MINUTE LEFT BY KNOCKING ON THE DESK AND STAND WHEN 2 ½ MINUTES HAVE ELAPSED AND SAY, “**TIME IS UP**”.
3. (C) “The second Negative Speaker will now finish the Constructive portion of the debate.”
4. TIME SPEECH AND WARN SPEAKER WHEN THERE IS ½ MINUTE LEFT BY KNOCKING ON THE DESK AND STAND WHEN 5 MINUTES HAVE ELAPSED.
5. (C) “The Affirmative team will now cross examine the speaker.”
6. TIME FOR 2 ½ MINUTES. WARN THEM WHEN THERE IS ½ MINUTE LEFT BY KNOCKING ON THE DESK AND STAND WHEN 2 ½ MINUTES HAVE ELAPSED AND SAY, “**TIME IS UP**”.
7. (C) “We will now have a 5 minute recess to prepare for rebuttal.”
8. TIME FOR 5 MINUTES, WARN THEM WHEN THERE IS 1 MINUTE LEFT AND ANNOUNCE “TIME IS UP” AFTER 5 MINUTES.)
9. (C) “We will have the Negative Rebuttal Speaker at this time.”
10. TIME FOR 5 MINUTES, WARNING THEM ½ MUNITE IS LEFT BY KNOCKING ON THE DESK AND STAND AFTER THE 5 MINUTES HAVE ELAPSED.)
11. (C) “To close the debate, we will have the Affirmative Rebuttal Speaker.”
12. TIME FOR 5 MINUTES, WARNING THEM ½ MUNITE IS LEFT BY KNOCKING ON THE DESK AND STAND AFTER THE 5 MINUTES HAVE ELAPSED.)
13. “This concludes this morning’s debate.”

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHAIRPEOPLE AND TIMEKEEPERS**

1. Chairperson will guide the Affirmative team. Timekeeper will guide the Negative.
2. To set up the room, arrange desks in the front of the room facing the class. Affirmative is to sit on the left as viewed by the audience.

AFFIRMATIVE NEGATIVE

# CHAIRPERSON TIMEKEEPER

## AUDIENCE

1. Chairperson and Timekeeper should sit near the front and near each other facing the debaters, so that both teams can see them.
2. Timekeeper is to hold time cards so that both teams can see them.

a. Speeches are 5 minutes long (begin with card 4 and go in

descending order.)

1. Cross Examination periods are 2 ½ minutes long

(begin with card 2 and go in descending order.)

1. A WARNING IS GIVEN WHEN THERE IS ½ MINUTE

LEFT (knock on the table loud enough so the debaters can hear it.)

1. WHEN TIME IS UP, **STAND** and remain standing until the speaker stops talking. Remember to say “Time Is Up” for the cross-examination part of the debate.
2. Report the exact time to the judge so that it can be recorded.
3. When the debate is over, Chairperson and Timekeeper, give the stopwatch and timecards to the judge.
4. The Timekeeper is to obtain the sealed envelope from the judge and deliver it to the back rear room in the cafeteria as soon as possible.
5. The Chairperson should bring the debaters to the cafeteria.